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**ILLINOIS MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO ALASKA AND ILLINOIS CHARGES  
OF DISTRIBUTING AND RECEIVING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY USING THE INTERNET**

Anchorage, Alaska – United States Attorney Nelson P. Cohen announced today, February 22, 2008, that Randy D. Winslow, of Tilton, Illinois, pleaded guilty in federal court in Anchorage, to the charge of distribution of child pornography in Alaska and the charge of receipt of child pornography in Illinois.

Winslow, age 42, of 109 E. 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Tilton, IL, pleaded guilty to two counts before United States District Court Judge Timothy M. Burgess.

In connection with the guilty plea, Assistant United States Attorney Retta Randall advised the court, and Winslow admitted, that on April 25, 2007, a criminal investigator for Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) in Anchorage, Alaska, acting in an undercover capacity, was in an Internet Relay Chat (IRC) room named “baby&toddlerlove.” A person using the nickname “lovethemcute” posted a message to the entire chat room that said simply, “lil boylover.” The undercover investigator started a private IRC message session with “lovethemcute” which lasted almost an hour. At the end of the chat, discussion of using Yahoo Instant Messenger ensued and the screen name for “lovethemcute” became “lonelyfunman”.

During a second chat on April 25, 2007, in Yahoo Instant Messenger, “lonelyfunman” sent the undercover investigator 23 digital images of prepubescent children, five of which lasciviously exhibit the children’s genitals and pubic areas. During the chats with the undercover investigator, Winslow admitted having “a lot of kiddy porn.”

During the investigation, “lonelyfunman” provided personal information to the undercover agent and subsequent investigation revealed that the subscriber information to [“lonelyfunman@yahoo.com”](mailto:lonelyfunman@yahoo.com) was Randy Winslow, 109 E. 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Tilton, IL. Winslow was arrested on May 4, 2007, pursuant to a criminal complaint. A computer forensic exam was performed on Winslow’s computer which was seized pursuant to a search warrant executed on his residence after his arrest. The forensic exam revealed that between June, 2006, and May, 2007, Winslow utilized commercially available “peer-to-peer” software” to trade child pornography.

Specifically, it was discovered that on June 13, 2006, during two different chats with the same user, Winslow received six images and three movies which depicted child pornography from a computer located in Dallas, TX. On June 28, 2006, Winslow received 45 images during one chat, and 192 images

during a second chat from the same user; a large portion of the images were child pornography. On April 30, 2007, 37 images were sent to Winslow as well as a link to a web site that contained images of child pornography. Over 600 images that depict child pornography were found on Winslow's computer.

Winslow was charged in both Alaska and Illinois, and agreed to transfer his case in Illinois to Alaska before his guilty pleas.

Judge Burgess scheduled sentencing for May 2, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. The law provides for a total sentence of 20 years in prison, a fine of \$250,000, or both. Under the Federal Sentencing Guidelines, the actual sentence imposed is based upon the seriousness of the offenses and the criminal history, if any, of the defendant.

Pending sentencing, the court continued the detention of the defendant in jail where he has been since his arrest.

Immigration and Customs Enforcement conducted the investigation leading to the indictment in this case.

This case is prosecuted as part of Project Safe Childhood. In February 2006, then Attorney General Alberto R. Gonzales launched Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative designed to protect children from online exploitation and abuse. Led by the United States Attorneys' Offices, Project Safe Childhood combines federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit [www.projectsafchildhood.gov/](http://www.projectsafchildhood.gov/).

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